Import of Rail Swank Metro Coach for Delhi Metro

1930. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the cost of recently imported Rail Swank Metro Coach for Delhi Metro;

(b) the future strategy to manufacture such coaches indigenously and its spares by Indian Railways; and

(c) the name of agency which has been engaged for day-to-day maintenance repairs etc. of these rakes and engines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Out of a total requirement of 240 coaches for Delhi Metro Phase-I, 60 number are being imported at a cost of Rs. 392 crores. 16 of these coaches have already been received and the remaining 44 are in the pipeline. The balance 180 coaches and spare parts will be manufactured in the country with progressive indigenous content by the supplier in collaboration with an Indian partner.

(c) Delhi Metro Rail Corportion (DMRC) Ltd. has set up an Operation and Maintenance wing to carry out day to day maintenance and repairs, as necessary.

Shortage of potable water in the Capital

†1931. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of potable water in many areas of the Capital and the water has not been supplied there for the last few weeks and, if some supply was made, it was not clean;

(b) whether it is also a fact that residents of these areas are compelled to purchase water from private sources; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi to supply clean water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (c) The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) which supplies water in Delhi has informed that against the total requirement of 800 MGD water for Delhi, the DJB is producing on an average about 660 MGD of water leaving a shortfall of 140 MGD. The areas which are at the tail end of the distribution system and are located at higher elevation, get comparatively less water which is being supplemented through water tankers. The quality of water also conforms to the prescribed standards laid down by Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO) and the Bureau of Indian Standards. Regular surveilance of water quality is done through lifting and testing of water samples right from raw water intake upto consumer's end.

Boundary walls in government colonies

1932. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that boundary walls, gates and parks are to be constructed/developed in all government colonies by the CPWD in the years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003;

(b) if so, the number of colonies in which above mentioned work has been completed and number of colonies in which the above work is still pending;

(c) the reason for non-completion of these works in some of these colonies; and

(d) by when these works in the remaining colonies are likely to be completed in order to ensure safety and better living conditions to the residents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No such decision has been taken to provide boundary walls, gates and